

# Indiana's New 21st Century Tax Structure

#### **Cutting Taxes:**

- Cuts property taxes for Hoosier homeowners on average by nearly 13 percent
- Cuts income taxes for Hoosier renters by increasing that deduction from its current level of \$2,000 to \$2,500
- Cuts real property taxes and individual property taxes by 20 percent
- Cuts property taxes for Hoosier farmers on average by more than 13 percent
- Cuts business property taxes on average by 23.4 percent
- Cuts taxes for the poor by linking the earned income tax credit to 6 percent of the federal credit
- Cuts business taxes by eliminating the inventory tax in five years and providing an exemption for "production in progress"
- Cuts business taxes by providing a tax credit to companies that provide venture capital to startup firms
- Cuts business taxes by eliminating the corporate gross income tax and eliminating the supplemental net income tax
- Encourages high-tech job growth by doubling the research tax credit from 5 percent to 10 percent
- To raise the revenue needed to pay for the property tax cuts, the state's remaining businesses taxes are restructured, utilities pay a supplemental tax to compensate for their 30% reduction in property taxes, and the state's sales tax will increase from 5 percent to 6 percent beginning December 1, 2002

### Growing New Jobs:

- Encourages high-tech job growth by appropriating \$30 million for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Research and Technology Fund for FY 2003 and FY 2004
- Eliminates the Corporate Gross Income Tax and the Supplemental Net Income Tax. Raises the Corporate Adjusted Gross Income tax to 8.5%.
- Increases the Research and Development Tax Credit from 5% to 10% and repeals the apportionment formula.
- Eliminates the Inventory Tax in the 5<sup>th</sup> year (pay 2007) and gives counties the option to eliminate the Inventory Tax sooner if they pass a local Economic Development Income Tax to provide additional homestead credits.
- Implements an exemption for "production in process" inventory for products to be shipped out of state.
- Returns to the 'old' business personal property reassessment rule for pay 2004 including the 30% floor. (The new rule will be in effect for pay 2003 with provisions for a 35% inventory adjustment and construction in process).
- Establishes a new Venture Capital Investment Tax Credit capped at \$10M per year.
- Establishes new certified technology parks to attract high technology businesses.

## Bringing Budget Relief:

- Budget cuts of \$949 million
- Increases cigarette tax by 40-cents per pack, for a total cost of 55-cents per pack
- Increases riverboat gaming taxes
- Requires Lottery and riverboat winners to pay taxes on winnings over \$1,200
- Provides more revenue to all Indiana counties by sharing revenue from riverboat taxes among all 92 counties

## Building Better Indiana Roads:

• Increases gasoline tax by 3 cents a gallon, for a total cost of 18-cents per gallon